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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central

SUBJECT : Los Angeles World Affairs Council

The Los Angeles World Affairs Council is a traditional and good forum on the West Coast. It rates with the Commonwealth Club in San Francisco and the Press Club in Washington as a platform for a person who has a message. It is not stodgy; it is a middle-ground, non-partisan, non-political, lively organization. Written questions are handled by the speaker after the speech.

It has corporate support. You will notice that Mr. McCone is on the Board of Directors. In the attached flyer, I have underlined in red a number of other distinguished directors. Please glance at them. (I love the thought that a man by the name of Cholmondeley M. Nelson was a former director.

I have talked to Ed Guthman, the National Editor of the *Los Angeles Times* about the Council. (He is a fellow Nieman Fellow and was Bobby Kennedy's press officer.)

Eddie says if there is something a person wanted to say on the West Coast it would be a good place to say it. He questions whether it would be worth hauling yourself out just to oblige, unless you wanted simply to make a public relations move.

Eddie said that if you would happen to come out, Otis Chandler would be pleased to have you for lunch or cocktails. This would be off-the-record in a congenial, refined and genteel atmosphere, although Eddie added, "Al Haig was here last night and it wasn't so refined or genteel. I got to wondering: What is a nice General like you doing in a...."

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In a previous letter to the Council, you indicated that you might be willing to schedule an appearance before them at a time mutually convenient during 1974.

You might wish to send a letter somewhat along the lines of the draft I have attached.



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